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Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Sir:

Following are the claims as amended herein and as are currently pending for consideration:

An interface to transfer data directly between a memory control hub (MCH) and a input output control hub (ICH) within a computer system, comprising:

a data signal path to transmit data in packets via split transactions; and